Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar *(Cheruthuruthi):* The Vypeen-Pallippuram Road.

You have not even consolidated the road. Is it a fact?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* The road has been consolidated, but in the case of the laterite metal, if there is no vehicular traffic, it gets frittered away. Every year we find that on account of the rains and water drooping from the trees etc., the roads where there is no vehicular traffic get into bad condition. I went along the road about 2 months ago and I did not find it in such a bad condition, as the member described it.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar *(Cheruthuruthi):* I know cyclists cannot pass that way. I have seen cyclists taking the cycle by the side of the road and not in the middle of the road. For your information I say that.

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* I have seen many cyclists using that road. Probably he might have been talking with somebody and walking.

Standing Finance Committee—Election of Members.

Mr. President: I have to announce that Messrs. V. K. Bhaskara Menon, T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar and B. M. Peter have been elected as members of the Standing Finance Committee.

Voting of Demands for Grants.—*(cont.)*

1. Land Revenue—Rs. 2,79,876.

Mr. President: The House will now take up voting on demands for grants.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* I rise to move for Rs. 2,79,876 under "I—Land Revenue". I do not think a speech is called for from me. I request that the House will be pleased to sanction this grant.

Cut Motion No. 1.

Remission of land tax.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar *(Cheruthuruthi): To reduce the allotment of Rs. 86,538 for Land Revenue Establishment by Re. 1. (The necessity of reducing the Land tax by 25 per cent as long as the present slump in prices lasts).*

Sir, this is a subject or a grievance which had been ventilated before this House almost every year, and I do not know whether any speech from me will convince the Government of the justice of the cause that I wish to represent before this House. When I stand

*Speech not corrected by the hon'ble member.

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